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**EVENT: Sentencing** 

**Defendant: Keith Goodwin** 

## DETROIT MAN SENTENCED IN CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CASE

Keith Goodwin was sentenced to 97 months in prison for distributing child pornography, United States Attorney Stephen J. Murphy announced today. Murphy was joined in the announcement by Special Agent in Charge Andrew G. Arena, of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) in Detroit.

Information presented to the court showed that Goodwin posted child pornographic pictures of teen-age girls on <a href="www.craigslist.org">www.craigslist.org</a> to facilitate the prostitution of those girls. The pictures were included in advertisements that solicited money for sex. A search of Goodwin's house revealed several girls living with him, including three underage girls, and explicit photographs of these girls. The search warrant also revealed a shotgun with an obliterated serial number, possession of which is a separate federal offense for which Goodwin received a 15-month concurrent sentence.

"Fighting the exploitation of children through distribution of child pornography is an important initiative for our office," Murphy said. "This case is especially egregious in that the

child pornography was used to facilitate prostitution by teen-age girls – a severe form of exploitation. Today's sentence should serve notice that the sexual exploitation of children will be met with swift, harsh penalties."

Murphy praised the work of the FBI for their professionalism and dedication in their aggressive and thorough investigation of these cases. The Honorable Sean F. Cox, United States District Judge, imposed the sentence.

Assistant United States Attorney Kevin M. Mulcahy prosecuted this case for the United States.